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1. Recent arrests of Jews include:
  - a. Dr. Rosen, the Grand Rabbi.
  - b. Marcou Schwartz, head of the Israelite Federation.
  - c. J. Schwefelberg, well-known lawyer.
2. The two large Bucharest synagogues (Grand Temple, at Strada Atena; and Sfanta Unirea, at Strada Mamulari) have both been closed.
3. While there has always been notorious anti-Semitism in Rumania, a harsher form of persecution than usual began some time ago. This now seems to be definitely anti-Semitic. Before, it was anti-Zionist. There have been many arrests. These include Jewish Communists and Jews holding pro-Communist sentiments.
4. The motive appears to be fear that Jews may be working with the US, on behalf of Israel.

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